

Mountain Pass Rare Earth Mine In Northeast Mojave Desert Operating Again

By Ruth Musser-Lopez and Mark Gutglueck

For more than five years, a key American resource crucial to the advancement of science and top-flight industry and key to the United States maintaining its edge as a military power lay dormant.

Lying within the vast outreaches of San Bernardino County, the Mountain Pass Mine, which contains the richest known deposits of

rare earth metals in the world, had been felled by the fluctuations of the marketplace and a skewed international competitive field that favors companies operating in places without regard to environmental considerations.

The mine has now been acquired by a new set of investors and is on the verge of a comeback. Still, despite the vast treasure that lies within the mine near the extreme east end of California's

Mojave Desert and the untold riches it represents if it can again be successfully tapped, tremendous risk is involved. In the seven years between 2008 and 2015, the mine's previous ownership, known as the Molybdenum Corporation, or Molycorp Minerals LLC, made an investment approaching \$2 billion to facilitate the retrieval and refinement of the precious commodities the mine has to offer. That effort, gallant,

intensive and sophisticated, was one laced with chance, hard work, boldness, unfortuitous events, governmental red tape and environmental regulations, irony and poor timing which led to abject failure and the bankruptcy of Molycorp Minerals LLC in 2015.

Two years later, seeing an opportunity in Molycorp Minerals LLC's misfortune, JHL Capital Group LLC, an alternative investment management

firm founded by James H. Litinsky in 2006, formed MP Materials, which acquired the totality of the Molybdenum Corporation's assets.

Lanthanides, also known as rare earth minerals or rare earth metals, are a set of seventeen chemical elements, specifically scandium, yttrium, lanthanum, cerium, praseodymium, neodymium, promethium, samarium, gadolinium, europium, terbium, **See P 6**

Governor On Anti-Recall Hustings In San Bernardino

In his whirlwind tour of the Golden State to stave off next month's effort to recall him from office, Governor Gavin Newsom came to San Bernardino today to provide those in the impoverished county seat the lowdown on his accomplishments during his 21 months in office at the pinnacle of political power in California.

Newsom is the son of William Alfred Newsom III, an attorney for Getty Oil, administrator of the Getty Family Trust and a Superior Court judge and later appeals court judge. In his early twenties, Gavin Newsom used money provided to him by J. Paul Getty's son, Gordon Getty, to start ten different businesses, one of which, PlumpJack Winery, became successful. In 1998, at the age of 31, he ran successfully for a position on the San Francisco County Board of Supervisors. In 2003, he was elected mayor of San Francisco. He retained that position until he was elected California's lieutenant governor in 2011.

In 2018, by which point he was a mainstay of California's Democratic establishment, he was elected governor. Newsom has embraced a bevy of progressive measures both prior to and during his tenure as governor, including abolishing capital punishment in California; categorizing a significant number of non-violent offenses previously designated as felonies as misdemeanors; championing free community college education; promoting government subsidization of technological innovation in the private sector; imposing a moratorium on any newly initiated hydraulic fracturing and steam-injected oil drilling in the state until **See P 2**

Despite Coroner's Overdose Finding, Ambiguity Yet Shrouds Shuey's Cause Of Death

Since shortly after Robert Shuey's April 26 death, there has been persistent mystery as to how, exactly, he died, and by whose hand.

It was widely anticipated that the eventual release of the documentation of the autopsy carried out eight days after he died would clear up a good portion of the confusion, if not all of it.

Now, more than three

months later, the coroner's office's findings have been made public. Nevertheless, despite the official cause of death pronounced in that document being acute fentanyl toxicity, it is still unclear as whether he was shot and suffered a fatal wound to his head, as has been widely rumored from the start, whether he was shot in the head but did not expire from that injury, whether a pro-

fusely bleeding hole at the base of his skull was not, in fact, a bullet entry or exit wound, or whether the presence of the powerful synthetic opiate present in his system was the sole factor that precipitated his death.

The information now available in the document known officially as an autopsy protocol, its accompanying toxicology report and attached inves-

tigator's notations confirm much of the general narrative relating to Shuey's final hours and minutes that has made the rounds since April, with some clarification as to further exact detail. Some of the previous narrative was inexact or wrong. For example, it was circulated, and previously reported in the *Sentinel* that Shuey was found dead inside his Blue Jay home, which was

locked from the inside, on the morning of April 27. In fact, Shuey was discovered there in the evening of April 26.

Previous reports were that Shuey was shot point blank in the face. More recently, it was intimated that Shuey was shot at close range in the back of the head. Throughout that time, there was a contradictory report that Shuey had expired **See P 5**

Dismay In Fontana & Upland Over Settlements For Sketchy Misfeasance Claims

Officials with the cities of Fontana and Upland recently opted to make substantial monetary payouts to claimants alleging police department misfeasance in circumstances where the wrongdoing alleged was less than clear-cut.

In both cases, taxpayers were fleeced because leadership in the respective cities was unwilling to test the oftentimes

capricious nature of the court-and-jury system or withstand the confusion of public perception in the face of controversy the actions in question engendered. Nevertheless, the controversy those governmental entities sought to avert has intensified rather than abated because the non-disclosure clauses put into the settlements has heightened rather than

diminished public skepticism about the backroom dealing their public officials are engaging in.

In Fontana, the parents of a burglar who in February was shot and killed by police after he was caught in the act during a break-in and then attempted to flee were provided with a cool \$1 million in response to a claim they filed against the city.

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Kenisha Kinard, represented by the Law Firm of Douglas Hicks Simplis & Perez, in March lodged that claim against the city based on the death of their son, Daverion Deaunte Kinard.

According to the Fontana Police Department, at approximately 10:30 p.m. on the evening of February 13, 2021, a resident of a home in the 16500 block of Casa Grande

Avenue in north Fontana who was not present at the residence was alerted, through a video surveillance and digital relay and notification system, that there was an intruder on his property. The homeowner contacted the police department, which dispatched officers, including one subsequently identified as Johnny Tutiavake, to the Casa Grande location. **See P 11**

Mayor Says Censure Is A Ploy By His Council Rivals To Obstruct His Leadership

By Mark Gutglueck

The San Bernardino City Council this week confirmed that it is purposed to pursue censuring Mayor John Valdivia

Valdivia, who was elected to the city council to represent the city's Ward 3 in 2011, reelected in 2015 and elected mayor in 2018, began his mayoralty in December 2018 in political ascendancy. He counted among his allies then-Fifth Ward Councilman Henry Nickel and

then-Sixth Ward Councilwoman Bessine Richard. Valdivia had lent support to the council's two newly-elected members, First Ward Councilman Ted Sanchez and Second Ward Councilwoman Sandra Ibarra in their successful November 2018 electoral bids, and this gave him a solid ruling coalition, as his only rivals on the council at that time were then-Seventh Ward Councilman Jim Mulvihill and Fourth Ward

Councilman Fred Shorett. In May 2019, when Juan Figueroa, whom Valdivia had backed, won a special election to fill the Third Ward position from which Valdivia had resigned to become mayor, Valdivia appeared to have an airtight lock on the council and substantial sway over governance in the then-215,941-population county seat.

As mayor, Valdivia repeatedly made commitments to do the bidding

of individuals and businesses making substantial contributions to his campaign fund as well as to those which hired his firm, AAdvantage Comm LLC, to provide them consulting services. This meant he encouraged the council members over whom he had influence to support with their votes his campaign contributors or clients when those entities had issues pending before the city council. In a relatively short

time span, this damaged Valdivia's reputation. As Valdivia's credibility as a dedicated and compassionate community leader eroded, first Nickel, then Ibarra and eventually Sanchez distanced themselves from him.

This worsened when three female staff members working within the mayor's office and then a woman he had appointed to two city commissions accused him of making sexual advanc- **See P 3**

With Newsom Rendered Vulnerable By The COVID-19 Crisis, His Detractors Have Pounced, Saying He Is Tyrannically Allowing Illegal Aliens To Take Over The State, Inflated The Health Crisis To Unrealistic Proportions To Overreach His Power, Is A Tax And Spend Liberal Who Hates Cops, Is Taking Bribes From Large Corporations Laundered Through His Wife's Nonprofit Company & Has Hypocritically Skipped Out On Paying His Property Tax *from front page*

the permits for those projects are reviewed by an independent team of scientists; seeking accountability and prosecution relating to provable instances of police brutality and excessive use of force; promoting water-sharing and water conservation among the state's agricultural interests, its urban, metropolitan and municipal entities and environmentalists seeking to preserve rivers and lakes as habitat for endangered fish; decriminalizing the use of marijuana; meaningfully addressing the homelessness crisis; reducing the state's energy reliance on the use of fossil fuels; and reducing the cost of healthcare.

Along the way he has garnered some degree of controversy as when he defied state law as mayor of San Francisco in 2004 by directing the San Francisco city/county clerk to issue marriage licenses to same-gender couples, in violation of state law at the time, which precipitated a California Supreme Court ruling later that year which annulled the marriages. He also skirted the law when he encouraged major corporations such as AT&T, Comcast, Kaiser Permanente, Pacific Gas & Electric and United Airlines to make donations to the Representation Project, a nonprofit run by his wife, the actress Jennifer Siebel Newsom. The millions of dollars the Representation Project has received from donors who have an interest in state legislation and policy has provided Siebel Newsom not only with the capital she needs to produce movies and documentaries, but more than \$2.4 million in salary since the Representation Project was founded in 2011.

Gavin Newsom has continued to back the completion of the Cali-

fornia High Speed Rail Project, which is already under construction and is intended to connect the Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center in Orange County and Union Station in Los Angeles with the Salesforce Transit Center in San Francisco. While the project's sponsors and advocates as well as some others have touted the project as a farsighted undertaking which will provide benefits to the regions in California it will service and will represent a relative environmental improvement as it will lessen the use of vehicles transiting between Southern California and the Bay Area, there have been substantive questions about the economic cost and viability of the system as a transportation mode, given that it will have relatively few embarkation locations and limited destinations. The estimated cost of the project, originally pegged at \$40 billion in 2008, has gone to \$98 billion at present and is likely to triple to \$300 billion by its projected 2033 completion. Even the most confident projections with regard to the system's ridership levels upon completion hold that the system will not generate enough money in fares to sustain its operations going forward, let alone cover the cost of right-of-way acquisition and construction.

With 46.3 percent of California's voters registered as Democrats and 24 percent affiliated with the Republican Party, Newsom seemed secure as the resident of the Governor's Mansion at 1526 H Street in Sacramento at least until January 7, 2023, when his first term as governor was set to end, and perhaps until 2027, at the end of what would be the second and last term he could serve

as governor under California's term limits. The advent of the COVID-19 crisis, which provoked stern measures from the government to check the advance of the disease, let loose mounting disaffection on the part of the public with the precautionary measures being taken. A highly vocal and energized minority of the public adhered to a belief that the virus was no danger at all or was being used by liberals in control of the so-called Deep State to further assist in the government's enslavement of the public and to erode the rights of Americans, while simultaneously increasing the authority and power of government. An even larger segment of the population, though less inclined to assign malicious intent to the part of the government, nevertheless grew weary, restless and disenchanted with the imposition of the precautions, which involved stay-at-home orders, mask-wearing mandates, business closures and other bothersome measures which Newsom had imposed through executive orders.

As the crisis wore on and businesses affected by the closures were driven into failure or their owners forced into bankruptcy, anger toward the government mounted. Opportunistically, Newsom's opponents, primarily Republicans whose control in the Golden State had elapsed more than a decade ago at the close of Arnold Schwarzenegger's second term as California governor, rose up and sought to convince their fellow citizens that Newsom was not fit to serve as governor and should be removed from office. They began a petition drive toward that end. Efforts by the state government to push residents to consent to being vaccinated against the coronavirus malady, even though the vaccines in use had not been certified as fully safe by the Food and Drug Administration, prompted even more residents to support the recall drive as that effort neared its deadline. Well before the signature gathering effort drew to a close in April, recall proponents were able to garner more than the 1,495,000 signa-

tures needed statewide to force Newsom into a special election in which his longevity in office was to be the main question on the ballot, accompanied by a vote as to who should succeed him.

That recall election, the second one in two decades, the last being the successful effort to remove then-Governor Grey Davis, likewise a Democrat, in 2003, stands as a mortal threat to Newsom's political career. The recall election is to take place on September 14, what is to be Gavin Newsom's moment of truth.

The proponents of Newsom's recall say he practically violated the law with his plan, in the face of the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak, to provide mail-in ballots to every registered active voter for all elections. They suggest this is a silent conspiracy by Newsom and Democrats to allow illegal aliens to vote.

Newsom was responsible for \$1 billion in unemployment checks going to prisoners and felons while those legitimately deserving of such assistance were ignored, his opponents say. They blame him for squandering \$80 million on a billboard campaign to instruct people to social distance in the face of the COVID-19 threat. Newsom is soft on crime and has granted clemency to vicious criminals, according to those favoring the recall. He has taken a stand against gun owners and the Second Amendment, recall advocates say. Newsom is responsible for California's homeless problem, his political enemies insist, and he is in favor of rent control. He has provided sanctuary in California for illegal aliens, according to those who want him removed from office, and he has allowed those in the country illegally to participate on state governmental boards and has provided state-sponsored medical insurance to unregistered aliens, along with welfare and food stamps, while simultaneously providing \$50 million to subsidize illegal alien-owned businesses. Newsom is a tax and spend liberal who oversees a state with the highest income tax in the nation, those who want him removed from office

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say, and he has ruled like a tyrant, carrying out his depredations on the backs of the taxpayers who are staggering under a 7.25 percent state sales tax. He is working to layer into the tax code higher property taxes, the recall advocates warn, and they decry California's vehicle registration tax as the highest in the United States. Newsom is a cop-hater who has hamstrung law enforcement agencies in their mission to collar criminals, they maintain. He has been both too easy and too hard on Pacific Gas & Electric, recall proponents say. His mandates that state residents wear masks is unconstitutional, his critics charge. Under his watch, the state purchased inferior masks from Chinese vendors rather than Americans. Under his management, the state's debt has skyrocketed to \$1.3 trillion, his rivals hasten to point out. Newsom is alleged to be a hypocrite who does not wear a mask when he is in social circumstances and who has skipped out on paying his property tax. As governor, he is driving farmers in the Central Valley into bankruptcy and ruin by his water rationing, his political enemies say. He is a tool of the public employee unions, according to the recall advocates. He has overstated the COVID-19 danger, his detractors say, and was responsible for too many people in the state's nursing homes dying from COVID-19. He overstepped his authority by signing an executive order to phase out gasoline powered cars by 2035, it is alleged.

While Newsom doubtless has his detractors, his

performance as governor has fallen within the standard realm of deviation of what President William Harding referred to as normalcy. No intractable scandal has befallen him and no indictable behavior that would qualify him for prosecution let alone conviction has surfaced. At the same time, he, like virtually all successful politicians, has engaged in fundraising efforts to endow his political war chest with money in ways that come across as being short of ethical. His opponents have condemned him for a host of attitudes, actions, non-actions and managerial faux-pas they perceive as being direct consequences of his arrogance. Much of that criticism is contradictory, as when he is blamed for a homeless crisis that has been burgeoning for a generation, while he is simultaneously excoriated for advocating rent control.

To be sure, like the rest of the Democratic Party, Newsom continues to advocate a welfare state that carries with it a price tag he and his political supporters have no realistic means of defraying, even as the state's burdensome taxing structure is pushing more and more businesses, which represent the heavy lifters who are carrying the welfare state upon their backs, toward leaving California.

In the main, the primary grounds cited against Newsom to justify his removal as governor relate to the COVID-19 crisis.

In that regard, the record would appear to vindicate the governor. He has been charged with overreaction to a non-crisis

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Valdivia's Participation In Graft And Misappropriation Of Public Funds Form The Backdrop Of The Move Toward Censuring Him *from front page*

es to them. Ultimately, five employees who had worked in the mayor's office, two men and three women, filed suit against him and the city, saying they were pressured by the mayor to engage in improper and illegal acts, and had become aware of Valdivia's bribetaking and trading political donations for official city action which favored those who provided him with money.

In the 2000 election cycle, Nickel and Richard were displaced on the council by, respectively, Ben Reynoso and Kimberly Calvin, as was Mulvihill by Damon Alexander. Richard and Figueroa had been Valdivia's last remaining allies on the council. Valdivia had hoped that Alexander's votes might prove out to be ones he could count on. Alexander realized, however, that Valdivia was isolated on the council, and that neither Reynoso nor Calvin were willing to join Valdivia's coalition, making any affiliation he might form with the mayor pointless. Since December 2020, when the council as it is currently composed was installed, Valdivia has had control of but a single vote on the council, that being Figueroa's.

The mayor in San Bernardino has limited voting power. He is permitted to vote on the hiring of employees and the appointment of commissioners and committee members, but cannot vote with regard to most other issues or decisions that come before the city council, with the exception of being able to vote to break a tie vote and to veto a 4-to-3 or 3-to-2 vote of the council.

Valdivia's loss of control over the council represented an existential threat to his continuation not only as mayor but as a politician, increasing his need to raise money to fatten his already substantial political war chest, which currently stands at

\$394,622.54. Valdivia has continued to raise a substantial amount of money from donors such as Edward Atsinger III, Cole Burr, Tracey Burr, Canon Management DFT, Capitalist Masters Group, Phil Cothran, Dedeaux Properties, Brett Dedeaux, Del Rio Transportation, Diamond Chevrolet, DM Bertino, Josh Dome, Jimmy Espinosa, F4 Starhouse, Gant Trave, Michael Gay, Michael Giuliano, Cesar Gomez, Jerrod Gutierrez, Cody Holmes, JM Endeavors, JM Realty Group, KAL Freight, Don Kaplan, Joshua Kaplan, Troy Kirtley, George Kritikos, Jeremy Krout, Tak Lam, Nicole Landis, LeadNet, Lewis Pacific Partners, Hanhsing Li, Jose Limon, Longo Customs Service, Leonard Lundin, Stephen Matich, Pacific/Lewis Properties, Juan Zuniga, Woodrow Wong, Warmington Residential California, Vone SB LLC, Steve Velazquez, Aldi Ujkaj, Thienes Engineering, Mike Cox, Bradley Steege, Skyline Equities, Sigra LLC, Shryne Group, SGI Retail, Sergio's Pallet Repair, Michael Sadeghian, SA Recycling, Geoff Rosenhein, Ezequiel Reynoso, Dinesh Ram, Provident Land Associates, Dipak Patel, Jonathan Pauls, Shina Park, Hae Park, and Panda Restaurant Group, largely by telling them or otherwise convincing them that he has control of the San Bernardino City Council.

Valdivia is at a crossroads. He has enough money to likely ensure his reelection as mayor in San Bernardino in 2022, as the more than \$400,000 he will have by the time the campaign for mayor next year begins in earnest will allow him to buy television and radio ads, billboard visibility, tailor drafted and subject specific mailers to be sent selectively to the city's voters in accordance with their ethnicity, political party affiliation, age, gender and income level. Nevertheless, because of the enmity he already has on the council, it is not likely that Valdivia will be able to accomplish much as mayor if he were to remain in that office four years beyond next year. If his donors catch on that he is unable to deliver to them

the things he is promising, his future prospects of raising money will dim. For that reason, for some time he has been casting about to find another political office he can seek and succeed in winning, such as in the California legislature.

This year, prior to San Bernardino's state of the city address, he arranged a VIP [very important person] reception to follow his speech, what was to essentially be a meet and greet with his campaign donors and political supporters. Rather than use the money he has accumulated in his electioneering fund to hold that event, however, he arranged to have the city defray the cost of the soiree, which was held at the Hilltop Restaurant on Kendall Drive. The owners of the Hilltop Restaurant are among Valdivia's donors. The invitation list to the get-together consisted primarily of Valdivia's political donors. He did not try to hide the baldly political nature of the conclave, and he did not extend invitations to six of the city council's members. The sole member of the city council invited was Figueroa, the only member of the council with whom Valdivia is on good terms.

The use of public money for political promotions is illegal. The council moved to challenge Valdivia on what he was doing, even before the event was held. When he went through with the reception as planned, the council called upon the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office to investigate the matter, and it voted to consider censuring Valdivia.

Over the last month-and-a-half, momentum has built toward the council officially rebuking the mayor using the censure process.

Internally at City Hall, the forces in place are divided. In Valdivia's corner are City Manager Robert Field and Director of Community and Economic Development Michael Huntley. Though City Attorney Sonia Carvalho spent months shielding Valdivia from accusations of wrongdoing and the claims of sexual harassment leveled at him by his former staff members, his

often intemperate statements in public, including lashing out at her when she has made interpretations of the law not fully to his liking during council meetings, has soured her on the mayor. Many staff members make a show of cordiality toward him, but evince disdain for him in private. While Field has attempted to maintain a positive relationship with the entire council, his accommodation of Valdivia has not sat well with some of the council, in particular Councilwoman Calvin.

A contingent of residents who have been gunning for Valdivia have likewise accused both Field and Huntley of militating on the mayor's behalf and enabling him in his pay-to-play shake-downs of those with project or permit applications before the city or who are competing for or have already attained contracts or franchises with the city. An unintended consequence of those accusations, accurate or not, has been to shunt Field and Huntley even further to the Valdivia side of the mayor-council divide.

If, however, Field has indeed used his authority as city manager to attenuate the effort to censure

Valdivia, he has succeeded not so much in blocking it as delaying it.

This week, Assistant City Manager Rebekah Kramer authored a report to the council on the council's previous request for a cataloging of its options in pursuing Valdivia's censure.

In her report, Kramer endeavored to facilitate the council's call to "establish whether there is substantial evidence to proceed, provide due process and decide whether to schedule a hearing and consideration of [a] final resolution of censure." In doing so, Kramer set out a charge sheet against Valdivia which will likely be the blueprint for that action, which the council appears to be on a trajectory to pursue.

Kramer wrote, "A censure is generally understood to be "an official reprimand or condemnation; an authoritative expression of disapproval or blame." The city council has authority to censure an individual councilmember. A censure is generally adopted by resolution and represents the opinion of a city council or other public body, but does not levy a fine, suspension, or other penalty. While there is no statute

directly addressing censure, many local legislative bodies have adopted resolutions condemning inappropriate behavior and violations of policies and laws. A censure is one way of distancing the public agency from bad behaviors that interfere with the agency's ability to conduct the public's business. While censure does not remove an elected official from office, it may serve an important purpose by stating to the public that certain behavior is unacceptable to the other council members. It is a form of self-policing for elected officials."

Thereafter, Kramer got down to brass tacks, and laid out the tentative reasons why the mayor should be officially rebuked. Valdivia's alleged transgressions included, according to Kramer:

"1. Violation of Fair Political Practices mass mailing regulations. 2. Improper payment of subscription services to support text messages and communications for personal gain. 3. Using [a] personal political consultant to advise and prepare [the mayor's] state of the city address. 4. Using city staff and expending city

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funds for personal or political purposes, including the planning and hosting of a personal mayor's VIP reception. 5. Using a consultant hired by the city to videotape the virtual state of the city address to support the mayor's personal VIP reception. 6. Submitting reimbursement claims for hotel and food unrelated to official city business. 7. Soliciting sponsorship from [the] Inland Empire Health Plan to offset [the cost of the] personal VIP reception

and offering [the] Inland Empire Health Plan special invitations to the VIP reception. 8. Causing [the] city to expend thousands of dollars in investigations and lawsuits related to behaviors found to be inappropriate. 9. Violating the city charter by directing the city manager to fire city employees."

Notably, because they carry with them the potential of exposing the city to legal liability, Kramer avoided mention of out and out instances of graft Valdivia is known or suspected of being involved in and it made no explicit mention of the accusations leveled at Valdivia in a number of lawsuits filed against the city.

There was some irony

in Kramer's authoring of the report. The ninth element of the charge sheet – directing the city manager to fire city employees – was a partial reference to Kramer herself. The *Sentinel* is reliably informed that among the city employees Valdivia was pressuring Field to fire were Kramer and Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Jim Tickemyer. Field did not accede to those requests, and Tickemyer remains in place. Though Field did not cashier Kramer, she has, the *Sentinel* is told, wearied of having to deal with the mayor, who has constantly pushed her to use her authority to take action that has not been authorized by the city

council or the city manager. She has resigned, the *Sentinel* is told, officially effective August 12, but has already left the city. Human Resources Director Edelia Eveland is serving in her place as the interim assistant city manager. In this way, one of Kramer's last acts as an employee with San Bernardino was to choreograph the city council's censure of Valdivia.

As Kramer's report stated, a censure carries with it no actual direct impact on an elected official's status. It does, however, provide ammunition for a political rival to use in an effort to prevent the official from being re-elected.

Censures are relatively

rare. In recent years in San Bernardino County, five examples readily come to mind.

In 2000, the San Bernardino City Council censured then-City Attorney James Penman. At that time, San Bernardino city attorney was an elected position. Penman was re-elected in 2003, 2007 and 2011, but recalled from office in 2013.

In 2003, the Ontario City Council censured then-City Councilwoman Debbie Acker, who was consistently out of step with the direction the remaining four members of the council favored for the city. Acker opted out of seeking reelection the following year.

In 2014, the Ontario

City Council considered censuring Councilman Paul Vincent Avila, who like Acker was perennially at odds with his colleagues on the council and was even more strident than she was in raising his objections and hurling insults at his rivals. The council instead of censuring Avila sanctioned him, an act that was distinct from a censure without any practical difference. In 2016, Avila lost his bid for reelection.

In 2017, the Upland City Council, four members of which were pushing for the shuttering of the city's then-111-year-old fire department to effectuate the county fire department's takeover of the city's fire and emergency medical service, censured Councilwoman

Janice Elliott for continuously indulging and facilitating residents' protest of the move. The following year, Elliott, who was then in the middle of a four-year term on the council to which she had been elected in 2016's at-large citywide election, was elected to represent the city's First District in the first by-district election in Upland's history.

In 2019, Winn Williams, who had been elected to the Chino Valley Independent Fire District Board of Directors in November 2018, was censured twice within the first eight months of his tenure on the board, once in February 2019 and again in July 2019. Williams remains on the board, and is scheduled to stand for reelection in 2022.

As the San Bernardino City Council took up the subject of the censure of Valdivia at its council meeting on Wednesday this week, Valdivia portrayed himself as an aggressive politician working on behalf of his constituents, and he painted his council rivals as obstructionists who were politicizing the circumstance for their own gain.

"I have been meeting with residents throughout our community for many, many months, one on one and learning from their perspective and issues," the mayor said. "Of the topics that are most common amongst the resi-

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In The Face Of Fierce Opposition That Has Now Led To An Attempt To Remove Him From Office, Newsom Insisted On A COVID-19 Precaution Policy That Reduced California's Death Rate Below That Of Eight Of The Nation's Nine Other Largest States from page 2

sis and overstepping governmental authority and the bounds that should be applied in terms of governmental imposition of its authority. It is said he has overreached with his executive orders and mandates. And indeed, Newsom was bold in this regard, just as the Republicans maintain. Nevertheless statistics compiled by the National Centers For Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta show that as of August 4, 2021, of all of the major population states in the United States, with a single exception, California had the lowest COVID-19 related death rate among its citizens, making it a safer place than Texas, New York, Florida, Pennsylvania, Illinois Ohio, Georgia and Michigan. The Golden State, with 163 deaths per 100,000 population, fared better than Ohio, with 176 deaths per 100,000; Florida with 182 deaths per 100,000; Texas, with 184 deaths per 100,000; Illinois with 204 deaths per 100,000; Georgia, with 205 deaths per 100,000; Michigan with 212 deaths per 100,000; Pennsylvania with 218 deaths per 100,000; and New York with 276 deaths per 100,000.

Indeed, the only one of

the ten states with a population of over 10 million residents that had a lower COVID-19 death rate than California was North Carolina, with 130 deaths per 100,000.

Whether or not those subject to his rule as governor appreciated it or respected his decision-making and the considerations that went into how he has governed in specific regard to the most immediate health threat to his constituents, the reality is that Newsom implemented a policy that protected the residents of his state more effectively than did the governors of eight of the nine largest states in the nation other than California, and that he did so in the face of fierce resistance and in spite of the potential political cost to himself, as the ongoing recall effort attests. Newsom's profile is thus one, according to his supporters, in courage.

Having emerged from the woodwork are a number of opportunists – 46 to be exact – who are looking to replace Newsom as governor if the recall succeeds. Among those are former Republican Congressman Doug Ose; former Republican Assemblyman Kevin Kiley; Libertarian Jeff Hewitt,

a Riverside county supervisor; Republican Ted Gaines, a former assemblyman and state senator; Republican Kevin Faulcanor, San Diego mayor; Republican Caitlyn Jenner, a transgender former Olympian and television personality; Republican Larry Elder, a conservative talk show host; Republican John Cox, a businessman who lost to Newsom in 2018; Democrat Kevin Paffrath, a real estate/stock investor advocating the construction of a canal from the Mississippi River to California; Republican Leo S. Zacky, one of the owners of Zacky Farms; Republican Anthony D. Trimino, an advertising executive; California National Party member Michael A. Loeb, a secessionist intent on having California de-annex from the United States to become its own sovereign nation.

For those seeking Newsom's recall, the hope is that virtually all of the state's Republicans will turn out to vote for his removal from office, that they will be joined by large numbers of the state's voters who have no political affiliation or are aligned with the more obscure political parties as well as by a fair number of disaffected Democrats, while a good number of the state's Democrats, who generally have much poorer voter turnout at election time than Republicans, will be even less attentive than they normally are and will not

turn out to keep Newsom in office.

Meanwhile, Newsom is out there on the hustings, seeking to energize the majority of the state's voters who elected him lieutenant governor in 2010, reelected him to that post in 2014, and made him governor a little more than two-and-a-half years ago.

This morning, he was in San Bernardino, seeking to remind voters in the overwhelmingly Democratic city that he is their strongest advocate in Sacramento. In his speech, he said the state and its residents need to pull together to overcome the resurgence of COVID-19 in its so-called Delta variant through an even fuller vaccination of the population than the state has already achieved and through maintaining the discipline of using masks in public. Also featured in his presentation was promoting his Comeback Initiative, a \$123.9 billion economic recovery program which contains money to boost California's public K-12 education system, as it moves into reopening classrooms after a year of classes being conducted remotely and on-line.

Prior to making his speech, Newsom made an appearance at Juanita B. Jones Elementary School in San Bernardino. This week, on Monday, Juanita B. Jones began conducting classes for the first time since the school was shut down as a safety

measure in reaction to the rapidly spreading coronavirus outbreak in March 2020.

During the photo op, Newsom interacted with a class of first graders.

Notably, Newsom, who is dyslexic and reads at a fifth grade level, did not participate in any of the class's reading lessons. Instead, he took off his suit coat and, sitting on a chair in front of the students while they sat cross-legged on a mat in the classroom, participated in a listening circle.

Newsom dialogued with the kids and asked them about their attitude with regard to returning to class.

"We're done with Zoom school," said Newsom.

"Yeah!" responded one of the students.

"Are you over that?" Newsom asked.

"Yeah," shouted one of the kids.

"I'm over it, too," said Newsom.

The education portion of his Comeback Initiative, Newsom said, will "transform schools into gateways to opportunity." He said public schools in low-income neighborhoods can "fundamentally transform into the kind of complete campus every parent would want for their child – with before- and after-school instruction, sports and arts, personalized tutoring, nurses and counselors and nutrition for every kid in California."

-Mark Gutglueck

Shuey Had Two Analogs Of Fentanyl In His System In Sufficient Quantities To Have Killed Him, Forensic Pathologist Says *from front page*

from a fentanyl overdose, which occurred either accidentally or deliberately as a suicide.

Even as the autopsy protocol sheds light on those previously shadowy versions of what occurred or may have occurred, it yet stands, despite its recitation of scientific fact, as a document of remarkable ambiguity. Still unresolved, in any satisfactory manner, is exactly how 30-year-old Robert Allen Shuey died.

Both the coroner investigation report and the autopsy protocol show acute fentanyl toxicity as the cause of death. On April 27, Jeff Lewison, a supervisor in the San Bernardino County Coroner's Office, which is a division of the sheriff's department, completed what was labeled as the "coroner supplement report" relating to Shuey's death. Lewison, who arrived at Shuey's residence at 11:57 p.m. on April 26, compiled the report based upon information provided to him while he was there by the first member of the sheriff's office to arrive on the scene of the death, Deputy William Chad Zerbe, as well as by Dorian Stefan, who had discovered Shuey deceased earlier that evening.

At 9:12 p.m. on April 26, 2021, Lewison was called by Zerbe, who had previously been dispatched to the death scene, and was informed about Shuey's death.

Lewison's report states, "On Monday, 04/26/2021, at 2112 hours [9:12 p.m.], San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Deputy W. Zerbe called to report the home death of Robert Shuey, age 30. I was assigned this coroner call, number 83, at 2244 hours [10:44 p.m.]. On Monday, 04/26/2021, at 2251 hours [10:51 p.m.], I spoke to Deputy Zerbe by telephone. The following is a summary of his statement. On Monday, 04/26/2021, at 2033 hours [8:33 p.m.], [the] San Ber-

nardino County Sheriff's Department got a call for service from Dorian Stefan. She arrived at the residence located at 27115 Highway 189 in Blue Jay, as Shuey's truck had been out front all day, which was unusual. The house was blacked out and the dog was home. She looked in the window and saw Shuey on the floor from the glow of the pilot light of the heater. She knocked on the door, knocked on the windows, and he did not answer. She used her key to make entry into the home. She saw him on the floor, and he had purple discoloration. She called 911. Stefan was Shuey's three-year-old daughter's babysitter. The little girl stated, 'My daddy's been shot.' The little girl told deputies later that a boy came in and shot her daddy in the nose. She did not hear any loud bang. Earlier in the day, sometime in the morning, Shuey told his daughter to go into the bedroom and hide (according to the daughter). Later, the 'boy' arrived and the little girl initially stated she heard a boy's voice and then later said she heard a girl's voice. After Stefan called 911, deputies arrived and Deputy W. Zerbe confirmed the death at 2100 hours [9 p.m.]. Shuey had a history of drug use but there was no obvious paraphernalia in the house. Deputy Zerbe had notified Gary Shuey, Shuey's father, of the death. Gary stated that Shuey had used methamphetamine, Xanax, and fentanyl in the past. He believed he was currently using fentanyl and had been for the past six months."

Lewison's report continues, "I responded from the Central Coroner Division at 2307 hours [11:07 p.m.] and arrived at 2357 hours [11:57 p.m.]. While awaiting the response from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Overdose Response Team, I performed a body examination and located what appeared to be a gunshot exit wound in the back of the head. San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Homicide Division was notified."

According to Lewison, "The scene consisted of a single-story, single-family home in the mountain community of Blue Jay.

The front entrance was on the center of the north side of the home. The body of a white male adult was supine on the floor in the geographic middle of the home. The head was oriented west and faced upright. The gas wall heater was immediately to the right of the male's hip. The heater was on. In the bathroom in the center of the south side of the home, there was a small screw top vial filled with white bar pills with 'Y21' imprinted on them. There were approximately 6-1/2 pills remaining."

Lewison's report continued, "On Tuesday, 04/27/2021, at approximately 0015 hours [12:15 a.m.], I spoke to Stefan on scene. The following is a summary of that interview. Stefan has known Shuey since they were 15 or 16 years old. He had a history of methamphetamine use, but she believed he quit using methamphetamine several years before. He did not use tobacco, but he did smoke marijuana. He consumed alcohol socially, but in the past had drunk heavily to the point where he would black out nearly every time he drank. Stefan was not aware of any mental or medical health issues that Shuey had. He had been stabbed several years prior. I began the examination at 0130 hours [1:30 a.m.]. The body was that of a white male adult that appeared to be the described age of 30 years old. He had short blond hair, green eyes, was approximately 76 inches, and weighed approximately 180 pounds. He had a clean-shaven face. The body was supine on a carpeted floor. The head was oriented west and faced upright. The right arm extended slightly out from the shoulder approximately 45 degrees from the side of the torso. The right forearm was resting against the front of the gas heater. The left arm was extended out from the shoulder approximately 45 degrees from the side of the torso. The left elbow was bent and the left hand with a closed fist was resting on the front of the upper left shoulder. The right leg was extended slightly forward of the hips. The left leg was extended slightly out from the hip with the

knee bent approximately 90 degrees. The body was clothed in a pair of blue briefs. The upper and lower natural teeth were present. The upper and lower frenula were intact. There were two broken teeth in the mouth that appeared to have been there for an extended period of time. There was a white foam exuding from the mouth. There was a reddish-brown fluid in the mouth. Bloody purge exuded from the nose. The nails were intact and there was no indication of injury or defensive wounds. The top of the left foot had a large bony bump. There was a linear scar approximately 4 inches in length on the outside of the left shoulder. There was a diagonal scar on the left flank. There was a linear surgical scar on the left flank. There were Tardieu spots on the left flank near the armpit. There was a healing abrasion on the inside of the right ankle."

Tardieu spots are observed in the tissues of people who have been asphyxiated.

Lewison's report further states, "There were no therapeutic devices."

Lewison provided an inventory of Shuey's visible tattoos. "'Crestline' was on the outside of the left ankle," Lewison reported. "A clock with a knife in it was on the front of the left chest. A skull with four aces was on the inside of the upper left arm. A skull was on the outside of the upper left arm. A large indistinguishable design the size of a dinner plate was on the center of the back."

Lewison thereafter provided a description of visible evidence of trauma to Shuey's body.

"There was a circular defect on the back-left side of the head approximately one inch above the hairline," the report states. "The underlying surface was slightly raised. Blood exuded from the wound. There was an abrasion on the left knee."

According to Lewison, at that point, "The body was cool to the touch. Rigor mortis was present and was difficult to break. Lividity was present in the posterior of the entire body. It was also present on the anterior of the right arm. It blanched with significant pressure."

According to Lewison, after the arrival of homicide investigators, "San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Crime Scene Specialist S. Mathis performed a gunshot residue test."

Lewison reported that "The examination concluded at 0135 hours [1:35 a.m.]. I took 52 photographs of the body and scene. Toe tag #01836 was affixed to the great right toe by transport personnel. The body was placed in a yellow coroner body bag and secured with pouch lock #5140972. After the examination, the body was transported to the San Bernardino County Morgue facility by All Caring Solutions transport. The transport of the body was delayed due to the necessity of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Homicide Division response.

Lewison noted that "Dorian Stefan initially identified the body to sheriff's deputies. Due to the nature of the examination, fingerprints were requested to be obtained at autopsy."

According to Lewison, "Deputy Zerbe notified Gary Shuey, Shuey's father, on Monday, 04/26/2021, at approximately 2151 hours [9:51 p.m.]."

An autopsy was performed on Shuey's body on May 4 between 9 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. by Brian Hutchins, a forensic pathologist, assisted by Andrea Meacham. Present were Kevin Riberich, Ian Gosswiller, and A. Martinez, all of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department.

The nomenclature on the autopsy is given variously as A0954-2 1 H U or A-0954-21,

The bottom line of the autopsy was that a "30-year-old male [was] found dead in [his] residence," that he died of "acute fentanyl toxicity," that "Prescription drugs [were] found at the scene" and that Shuey had a "reported history of drug abuse." The "postmortem toxicology" revealed that Shuey had "fentanyl 3.6 ng/mL and norfentanyl 0.41 ng/mL in [his] femoral blood." The findings were that there were on Shuey's body "no traumatic injuries [and] no penetrating injuries." The

cause of death was listed as "acute fentanyl toxicity, [occurring within] minutes." The manner of death, the report said, was an "accident."

Despite the conclusion that Shuey had suffered no traumatic injuries, under the category of external examination, the autopsy protocol states matter-of-factly, "The head is covered by short blonde hair. Facial hair is cleanly shaven. There are no petechial hemorrhages in the conjunctivae of the lids or sclerae. There is congestion seen in the eyes. Upper and lower teeth are present. There are no injuries in the lips or oral mucosa. Upper and lower extremities show no edema. The external genitalia are without trauma or lesions. There are multiple healed surgical scars noted in the following areas: right shoulder, left shoulder, right elbow, left elbow, left flank, and left upper back. There is a small abrasion noted on the left knee. There is focal abrasion noted on the posterior surface of the right forearm. There is small abrasion noted in the medial aspect of the right foot. There is a small puncture noted on the left occipital scalp/base of the neck."

With regard to the internal examination of Shuey's head, Hutchins stated, "There is no hemorrhage in the scalp. There are no fractures of the calvarium or base of the skull. There is no epidural, subdural, or subarachnoid hemorrhage. The brain is 1500 grams. The cerebral hemispheres are symmetrical. A normal convolutionary pattern is observed. Upon sectioning of the brain, there is no hemorrhage or lesions seen within the cerebrum, brainstem, or cerebellum. The vessels at the base of the brain have a normal pattern of distribution. The cranial nerves are present."

With regard to Shuey's neck, Hutchins wrote, "There is no edema of the larynx. The hyoid bone and larynx are without fractures. There is no hemorrhage in the throat organs or strap muscles. There are no prevertebral fascial hemorrhages. The

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Lanthanides Again Being Ex- tracted From Mountain Pass Mine's Bastnäsite Ore *from front page*

dysprosium, holmium, erbium, thulium, lutetium and ytterbium. They have a number of critical industrial and technical uses and applications, including serving as components in mercury-vapor lamps, high-temperature superconductors, lasers, microwave filters, high refractive index glass, hybrid electrical vehicles, flint products, battery-electrodes, camera lenses, carbon arc lighting, didymium glass used in welding goggles, polishing powder, ceramic capacitors, nuclear batteries, rare-earth magnets, memory chips, red and blue phosphors, green phosphors, fluorescent lamps, vanadium steel, x-ray machines and infrared lasers. Rare earth elements also facilitate hydrogen storage, fluid catalytic cracking, creating violet and yellow colors in glass or ceramics, catalyzing the refining of petroleum, oxidizing chemicals, neutron capture, and contrasting magnetic resonance images.

Because of their geochemical properties, rare earth elements are typically dispersed and not often found in concentrated and economically exploitable forms.

Until 1948, most of the world's rare earths were mined in India and Brazil. In the 1950s, South Africa became the leading supplier of rare earth metals.

In 1949, the Mountain Pass Mine, which lies in the extreme northeast portion of San Bernardino County roughly 15 miles from the California-Nevada state line, was discovered by a uranium prospector. The Molybdenum Corporation of America bought the mining claims, and small-scale production began in 1952. Production expanded greatly in the 1960s, with the Mountain Pass facility becoming the world's dominant producer of rare earth elements. From 1965 until 1995 it was an almost exclusive supplier of europium, which is used in color television screens. The

Molybdenum Corporation of America changed its name to Molycorp in 1974 and was acquired by Union Oil in 1977.

In the 1980s, the company began piping wastewater from the mining operation 14 miles to evaporation ponds at Ivanpah Dry Lake. Ruptures in the pipeline resulted in radioactive thorium and radium leaking into the desert floor at least 60 times between 1984 and 1998, according to federal investigators, at which point the pipeline was shut down and chemical processing at the mine ceased. Unocal was served with a cleanup order and sued by San Bernardino County's district attorney's office in a civil lawsuit. The company paid more than \$1.4 million in fines and settlements. The mine was shut down in 2002, by which time China eclipsed the United States as the leading supplier of rare earth metals. Unocal in 2004 obtained a new operating permit for the mine, and it was acquired the following year by the Chevron Corporation.

By 2005, 96 percent of the world's rare earth elements were mined in China. In 2007, China restricted exports of rare earth elements and imposed export tariffs. In 2008, Chevron sold the Mountain Pass Mine to privately-held Molycorp Minerals LLC, based in Greenwood Village, Colorado, a company formed to revive the Mountain Pass mine. On July 29, 2010, Molycorp, Inc. became a publicly-traded firm by selling 28,125,000 shares at \$14 in its initial public offering. On September 22, 2010 China quietly enacted a ban on exports of rare earths to Japan. Later that fall, Congress passed legislation to subsidize the revival of the American rare earths industry, including the reopening of the Mountain Pass Mine.

Initially, Molycorp lost money. But by the second quarter of 2011, the company was showing a profit. Molycorp acquired processing facilities in Arizona and Estonia. In March 2012, Molycorp Inc. acquired Neo Material Technologies Inc., a Canadian rare earth processing company, for \$1.3

billion. With the cost of rare earth metals skyrocketing because of the Chinese restrictions on rare earth exports, on August 27, 2012, Molycorp initiated Project Phoenix at the Mountain Pass Mine, which involved making a \$1.7 billion investment to design and build a processing plant within a processing plant that would allow for the mining of 20,000 tons of ore per year in an environmentally advanced manner where the primary waste stream out of the process was salt water. This involved Molycorp's creation of a chemical plant that used alkali and salt water at the front end of the process to convert the ore to a semi-processed product, facilitated by the addition of an on-site combined heat and power plant to provide low-cost, high-efficiency electrical power and steam for the company's extraction processes. There proved to be some technical difficulties but by the fall of 2014 an onsite chlor-alkali facility, which uses processed waste water to produce hydrochloric acid and other chemical reagents used in rare earth production, was operational. Shortly thereafter, the company had ramped up the production process and completed the fourth quarter of 2014 with 1,328 metric tons of rare earth oxide equivalent production. That compared to 1,034 metric tons in the fourth quarter of 2013 and 691 metric tons in the third quarter of 2014. Full year 2014 production totaled 4,785 metric tons, compared to 3,473 metric tons in 2013. The company was expanding production well into the spring of 2015.

At that point, however, as the company was on the brink of having the United States emerge once again as a major competitor in rare earth mineral production, it was undercut by action the U.S. Government had previously taken in league with the European Union and Japan and some other nations, which had lodged a complaint against China with the World Trade Organization for limiting rare earth exports, which was alleged to be a violation of international law. A decision favoring the

complainants was made shortly after the Mountain Pass Mine was fully retooled, forcing China to export more rare earth metals, precipitating a substantial price drop. Thus, Molycorp, on the hook for approaching two billion dollars made in mine and plant upgrades and in need of servicing its now due debt, could not compete let alone profit or service its debt. In June 2015, the company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

On August 26, 2015, the company announced that as of October 20, 2015, it would transition its Mountain Pass rare earth facility to a "care and maintenance" mode, putting the site, including machinery and equipment into suspension, such that it was maintained in a safe and stable condition, meeting government regulatory commitments, but available for relatively quick reinitiation of production. The rare earth pricing decline was cited as a key factor in the decision to suspend rare earth production at Mountain Pass, company officials said.

On November 3, 2015, acknowledging that its plan to reassert American primacy in the provision of materials crucial to high tech development and production had flamed out, Molycorp filed a joint plan of reorganization with its affiliated debtors at the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. That plan proposed an emergence from Chapter 11 through either a stand-alone reorganization that would substantially de-lever its balance sheet or a sale of substantially all of its assets.

In March 2016, Judge Christopher Sontchi confirmed Molycorp's Chapter 11 exit plan that left production at the mine entirely in limbo and turned the company over to senior lender Oaktree Capital Management, giving unsecured creditors a minority stake in the company, which consisted thereafter as the Canadian, Arizona and Estonia processing facilities.

There ensued further developments in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, with Molycorp, Inc. rechristening itself as Neo Performance Materials,

with executive offices in Toronto, Canada and subsidiaries organized under a holding company based in the Cayman Islands. It continued to market and produce materials in ten countries, including Japan, China, Thailand, Estonia, Singapore, Germany, the United Kingdom, Canada, the United States, and South Korea. The dormant Mountain Pass Mine and processing facility were put under the care of trustee Paul E. Harner of Ballard Spahr LLP. Harner in conjunction with Batuta Capital Advisors LLP, sought to market the mine and solicit potential buyers. ERP Strategic Minerals LLC., a so-called stalking horse bidder, emerged, and three other entities, Virginia-based Natural Bridge; Pala Investment Ltd., a Swiss firm; and an Australian company, Peak Resources Ltd., expressed interest in taking over operations of the mine, though those did not pan out.

San Bernardino County in the meantime secured the services of the law firm of Harrison Temblador Hungerford & Johnson LLP on a \$250,000 retainer for the provision of legal services in connection with the bankruptcy proceedings to ensure that whatever entity assumed ownership and operation of the mine, all requirements in the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act were met.

In 2017, JHL Capital Group LLC, in the form of MP Materials, swooped in to acquire the mine and its processing facilities.

According to MP Materials' website, "Current ownership and management acquired the Mountain Pass assets in 2017, restarted operations from cold-idle status and embarked on a plan to re-commission the facility and position MP Materials for growth and profitability."

MP Materials recently announced that mining activity at Mountain Pass has resumed, with ore being transported off-site to be processed elsewhere. In the next stage of its revival of Mountain Pass, MP Materials is moving toward reviving the on-site processing plant and getting it fully permitted and licensed. Once

the processing facility at Mountain Pass is reestablished, MP Materials will process all of the ore extracted from the mine and, conceivably, from other sites.

MP Materials is now involved in discussions with the Joseph Biden Administration's Energy Department to have a concentrated coal product originating from mines in Kentucky transported to Mountain Pass, where it will be subjected to an extraction and refining process capable of yielding rare earth elements.

"With the first stage of our plan completed, MP Materials has re-emerged as a best-in-class, globally competitive rare earths producer," the company stated. "Today, we produce approximately 15 percent of the global supply of rare earths, currently in the form of an intermediate product—rare earth concentrate—that requires further processing in Asia. Following completion of the second stage of our re-commissioning, expected by 2022, MP Materials will relaunch its onsite processing facilities, setting the foundation for a renewed, self-sufficient U.S. rare earth industry."

The company said it is committed to reestablishing U.S. independence in not only the mining but refining of rare earth minerals

"Today, China dominates the rare earth industry, producing over 80 percent of global supply," according to MP Materials. "Having a single country as a potential point-of-failure in the industrial supply chain for trillions of dollars in gross domestic product is untenable, and MP Materials provides a straightforward solution. Mountain Pass is blessed with one of the world's highest quality deposits of rare earths, which allows MP Materials to be a global low-cost producer while adhering to our rigorous environmental standards and fulfilling our commitments to employees and our community."

Reliable sources have informed the *Sentinel* that efforts to geologically characterize the land upon which the mine is located have established that the

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CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso): CIVDS 2014752

SUMMONS ON FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): JACK RODRIGUEZ, JR. and DOES 1-25, INCLUSIVE YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): ALVARO GONZALEZ GARCIA, AUXILIADORA DORIAN CARMEN OBANDO and CRYSTAL GONZALEZ

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a non-profit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

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DARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remision a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniendose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperacion de \$10,000 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesion de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desear el caso.

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): JOHN S. BUZAS, SBN: 117797, GABRIEL & ASSOCIATES 801 PACIFIC AVENUE LONG BEACH, CA 90813 (562) 436-9292

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STATEMENT OF DAMAGES

Case No.: CIVDS2014752
ALVARO GONZALEZ GARCIA, AUXILIADORA DORIAN CARMEN OBANDO, and CRYSTAL GONZALEZ

Plaintiffs vs. JACK RODRIGUEZ, JR., and DOES 1 to 25, inclusive, Defendants

To Defendant, JACK RODRIGUEZ, JR., and DOES 1 to 25, inclusive,

Plaintiffs, ALVARO GONZALEZ GARCIA, AUXILIADORA DORIAN CARMEN OBANDO, and CRYSTAL GONZALEZ, pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure, Section 425.11, hereby state the nature and amount of damages being sought as follows:

1. ALVARO GONZALEZ GARCIA:

A. GENERAL DAMAGES:
(1) Pain, suffering, and inconvenience \$30,000.00

(2) Emotional distress \$5,000.00

B. SPECIAL DAMAGES:
(1) Medical expenses (to date) \$3,047.31

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(2) Future medical expenses (present value) \$2,500.00

AUXILIADORA DORIAN CARMEN OBANDO:

A. GENERAL DAMAGES:
(1) Pain, suffering, and inconvenience \$30,000.00

(2) Emotional distress \$5,000.00

B. SPECIAL DAMAGES:
(1) Medical expenses (to date) \$3,042.68

(2) Future medical expenses (present value) \$2,500.00

CRYSTAL GONZALEZ:

A. GENERAL DAMAGES:
(1) Pain, suffering, and inconvenience \$15,000.00

(2) Emotional distress \$5,000.00

B. SPECIAL DAMAGES:
(1) Medical expenses (to date) \$1,496.29

(2) Future medical expenses (present value) \$500.00

Dated: September 8, 2020
GABRIEL & ASSOCIATES
By SAMUEL E. GABRIEL
Attorneys for Plaintiffs,
ALVARO GONZALEZ GARCIA, AUXILIADORA DORIAN CARMEN OBANDO, CRYSTAL GONZALEZ

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVSB2118341

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Shannon Anjanette Griffin filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Shannon Anjanette Griffin to Shannon Anjanette Nichols

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:
Date: 09/08/21
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 W. Third St., San Bernardino, CA 92415-0210

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the The San Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: July 08, 2021

Lynn M. Poncin
Judge of the Superior Court.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO-20210006452

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Lux Rejuvenation Aesthetics, 1835 W Redlands Blvd, Redlands, CA 92373, Medical Legal Management, 1835 W Redlands Blvd, Redlands, CA 92373

Business is Conducted By: A Corporation

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Maria Sanchez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 06/18/2021

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I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 06/01/2021

County Clerk, s/ 11327

NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

07/16/21, 07/23/21, 07/30/21, 08/06/21

FBN 202100073333

The following entity is doing business as BUENOS DIAZ INSURANCE AND REGISTRATION 17914 FOOT-HILL BLVD. #A FONTANA, CA 92335: BUENOS DIAZ INSURANCE AND REGISTRATION 17914 FOOT-HILL BLVD. #A FONTANA, CA 92335

This Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Julie Diaz
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 7/16/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. Began Transacting Business: JUNE 7, 2021

County Clerk, Deputy 11327

NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code). Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 7/16, 7/23, 7/30 & 8/06, 2021

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: RICHARD WARMOUTH, JR.

CASE NO. PROSB2100233

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of RICHARD WARMOUTH, JR.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by KIMBERLY MICHELLE WARMOUTH, JR. in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that KIMBERLY MICHELLE WARMOUTH, JR. be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.)

The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in Dept. No. S-36 at 9:00 a.m. on AUGUST 25, 2021 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

Filed: JULY 7, 2021

JUDGE STANFORD E. REICHERT

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Date: July 9, 2021
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Date: July 9, 2021
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVSB2114732

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: JAMES FLANNIGAN IV filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

JAMES*** FLANNIGAN IV to Flannigan IV, James

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:

Date: 09/15/21

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 West Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: July 13, 2021

Lynn M. Poncin

Judge of the Superior Court.

Published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel on 7/23, 7/30, 8/06 & 8/13, 2021

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ROGER LINDENMUTH CASE NO. PROSB2100063

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of ROGER LINDENMUTH has been filed by ERIC LINDENMUTH in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ERIC LINDENMUTH be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests that the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held NOVEMBER 4, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. No. S35 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

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Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: EMMETT RICHARD WALKER CASE NO. PROPS2100054

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of EMMETT RICHARD WALKER:

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by SHARON STONE WALKER in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that SHARON STONE WALKER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in Dept. No. S-36 at 1:30 P.M. on AUGUST 19, 2021 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any

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petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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The following entity is doing business as BUENOS DIAZ INSURANCE AND REGISTRATION 17914 FOOTHILL BLVD. #A FONTANA, CA 92335: BUENOS DIAZ INSURANCE AND REGISTRATION SERVICES 17914 FOOTHILL BLVD. #A FONTANA, CA 92335

This Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Julie Diaz
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 7/16/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. Began Transacting Business: JUNE 7, 2021

County Clerk, Deputy H327
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

07/30/21, 08/06/21, 08/13/21, 08/20/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 2021000776

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: New Horizon Real Estate Investments, 10730 Church Street Unit 204, San Bernardino, CA 91730, Chris Butner Mortgages LLC, 10730 Church Street Unit 204, San Bernardino, CA 91730

Business is Conducted By: A Limited Liability Company

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Christopher Butner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/29/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. Began Transacting Business: 07/01/2021

County Clerk, s/ H327
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

07/30/21, 08/06/21, 08/13/21, 08/20/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20210007712

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Swirls Soft Serve, 1217 W. Foothill Blvd, Upland, CA 91786, Mailing Address: 75 Camellia Court, Upland, CA 91786, Gazar Investments LLC, 75 Camellia Court, Upland, CA 91786

Business is Conducted By: A Limited Liability Company

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Gerard Azar
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/28/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/ H327
NOTICE- This fictitious business

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name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

07/30/21, 08/06/21, 08/13/21, 08/20/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20210007572

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Express Notary; Mountain Express Notary; Express Notary & Scan; Mountain Express Notary & Scan, 2562 Oak Dr, Running Springs, CA 92382, Mailing Address: PO Box 1948, Running Springs, CA 92382, Rita C. Nelson, 2562 Oak Dr, Running Springs, CA 92382

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Rita C. Nelson
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/23/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 06/02/2021

County Clerk, s/ 15199

NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

07/30/21, 08/06/21, 08/13/21, 08/20/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20210007551

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: MRC Financial Services; MRC Insurance Services, 14807 Hillstone Avenue, Fontana, CA 92336, Richa G Chand, 14807 Hillstone Avenue, Fontana, CA 92336, Ravi S Chand, 14807 Hillstone Avenue, Fontana, CA 92336

Business is Conducted By: A Married Couple

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime. (B&P Code 17913) I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/Ravi S. Chand
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/23/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/01/2021

County Clerk, s/ 15199

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07/30/21, 08/06/21, 08/13/21, 08/20/21

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LARRY VERNON JUDKINS CASE NO. PROSB2100331

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of LARRY VERNON JUDKINS has been filed by BARBARA L. NEWMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that BARBARA L. NEWMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests that the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons

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Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

THE PETITION requests a \$350,000 bond fixed. The bond will be admitted by an admitted surety insurer or as otherwise provided by law.

Decedent died on 1/08/2021 in HELENDALE, CA, a resident of San Bernardino County.

A hearing on the petition will be held SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. No. S35 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

Kimberly Tilley, Deputy MAY 6, 2021

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

The petition requests that a bond not be required.

The character and estimated value of the property of the estate is estimated at \$464,000.

Filed: JULY 26, 2021

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CESAR OSORIO NO. PROSB 2100339

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of CESAR OSORIO

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JULIUS OSORIO in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JULIUS OSORIO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons

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unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in Dept. No. S36 at 9 a.m. on SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 at Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino District.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Filed: JULY 20, 2021

Judge Tara Reilly

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVSB2119271

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: KHAREY JAMAL PERRY filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

KHAREY JAMAL PERRY to KHOREY JAMAL PERRY

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:

Date: 09/15/21

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Department: S16

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 West Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: July 23, 2021

Lynn M. Poncin

Judge of the Superior Court.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CIVSB 2120307

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner:

RUDOLPH GONZALEZ filed with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

RODOLFO CLEMENTE GONZALEZ to RUDOLPH CLEMENTE GONZALEZ

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:

Date: 09/14/21

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Department: S17

The address of the court is Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District - Civil Division, 247 West Third Street, Same as above, San Bernardino, CA 92415, San Bernardino

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in the San Bernardino County Sentinel in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Lynn M. Poncin

Judge of the Superior Court.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME NUMBER 20210007348

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: DYNAMIC SPA 1955 E FOURTH ST ONTARIO, CA 91764: YUEQING, INC. 8191 BOLSA AVE MIDWAY CITY, CA 92655

Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT

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County Clerk, s/17122
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20210007343

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Sky Spa, 4012 Grand Ave, STE E, Chino, CA 91710, Mailing Address: 142 E. Bonita Ave 181, San Dimas, CA 91773, AGX Group LL, 142 E. Bonita Ave 181, San Dimas, CA 91773

Business is Conducted By: A Limited Liability Company

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/16/21

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/08/21

County Clerk, s/15199
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

08/06/21, 08/13/21, 08/20/21, 08/27/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20210007868

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: DVK Consulting & Financial Svcs, 1128 W. Mission Blvd, Suite C, Ontario, CA 91762, Deyanira Brandon, 875 S. Mountain Ave., Ontario, CA 91762

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/30/21

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/22/21

County Clerk, s/11327
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08/06/21, 08/13/21, 08/20/21, 08/27/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20210007242

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: On Time Home Inspections, 10123 Hampshire St., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730, Mailing Address: 10123 Hampshire St., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730, Juan J. Tobin, 10123 Hampshire St., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

Signed: BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/14/21

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/01/21

County Clerk, s/15199
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08/06/21, 08/13/21, 08/20/21, 08/27/21

AFFIDAVIT Notice of NAHIM GOVERNMENT PASSPORT

Nation of American Hebrew Israelite Monarchy referred to hereafter as, "NAHIM", attests it was established January 1, 2013 in the San Bernardino County, the California State,

as an "Authorized Sovereign Government", authorized by "law to exist pursuant to,"

"Luther v. Borden US !,12; LED 581. 1st Amendment Article 11, 10th Amendment, & 11th Amendment.

"NAHIM" attest, the NAHIM GOVERNMENT PASSPORT is our "OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION." We have created our passport for the purposes of traveling worldwide, by air, land or sea; afforded the protection of "SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY" under the laws of the United States Constitution. We are centered on creating friendly relationships and communication with other countries worldwide for the purpose of ministering salvation and the gospel of our heavenly father who is "OUR KING" Yhoah Elyeh the creator of the heaven & earth in their countries.

"NAHIM" attest, the NAHIM Government is "Not" affiliated with the U.S. Government, nor any of it's law enforcement agencies, yet we share the same goals of "HONORING/OBEYING" the U.S. Constitution. All of our passport holders, "ARE AMERICAN BORN CITIZENS".

This Affidavit of Notice can be refuted by "ANYONE" within 30 days in a court of law by affidavit using U.S. Constitutional laws "ONLY" signed under perjury and notarized in the presence of a notary public proving the NAHIM Government passport is by U.S. Constitutional law "UNLAWFUL." Should NO ONE refute this affidavit within the given 30 days of receiving it in a court of law, it is then DECLARED, THE NAHIM GOVERNMENT PASSPORT IS A LAWFUL "SOVEREIGN PASSPORT TO POSSESS UNDER THE U.S. CONSTITUTIONAL LAWS WHICH AUTHORIZES ITS EXISTENCE.

AND USE THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES AND ABOARD.

Send your Affidavit of refutation to: E. Sog NAHIM Government General Delivery, San Bernardino, Ca 92402

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FBN 20210005949

The following person is doing business as: GARNISH PIZZA & GRILL 7890 HAVEN AVE. UNIT 15 & 16 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

NATION FOOD SERVICE INC 7890 HAVEN AVE. UNIT 15 & 16 RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

This Business is Conducted By: A CORPORATION REGISTERED IN CALIFORNIA C4264978

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 6/3/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: APRIL 10, 1990

County Clerk, Deputy I6764
NOTICE- This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk.

A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14400 et. Seq. Business & Professions Code).

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FBN 20210006061

The following person is doing business as: OPTIMA REEFER SERVICE 18960 CAJON BLVD SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407; OPTIMA REEFER SERVICE, LLC 18960 CAJON BLVD SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92407

This Business is Conducted By: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY REGISTERED IN CALIFORNIA 202114810451

BY SIGNING BELOW, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/01/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/01/21

County Clerk, s/15199
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 6/08/21

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, Deputy
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FBN 20210006059

The following person is doing business as: OPEN DOOR REALTY & INVESTMENT 8291 UTICA AVE STE A RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

ROSA M ESTRADA 8291 UTICA AVE STE A RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 6/8/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, Deputy
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FBN 20210007079

The following person is doing business as: SAYULITA 369 1315 HARD STREET UNIT B SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408 (COUNTY OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS); CESAR A. SIGALA ORTIZ 1315 HARDT STREET UNIT B SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/08/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: APRIL 10, 1990

County Clerk, Deputy I6764
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FBN 20210006838

The following person is doing business as: BEE CUTE FASHION 15764 COUNTY CLUB DR CHINO HILLS, CA 91709 (COUNTY OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS); [MAILING ADDRESS 311 W CIVIC CENTER DR SANTA ANA, CA 92701]; MINDY RODRIGUEZ 15764 COUNTY CLUB DR CHINO HILLS, CA 91709; ELIZABETH M SALAZAR 15764 COUNTY CLUB DR. CHINO HILLS, CA 91709

The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/01/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/01/2021

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FBN 20210006385

The following person is doing business as: RIVAS TRANSPORTATION 4620 LEROY ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92404 (COUNTY OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS); JUAN ANTONIO RIVAS ORELLANA 4620 LEROY ST SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92404

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 06/17/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/08/21

County Clerk, Deputy
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FBN 20210007041

The following person is doing business as: CHERRY REGISTRATION 14976 FOOTHILL BLVD UNIT #300 FONTANA, CA 92335 (COUNTY OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS); GABRIELA J ALVARADO 14976 FOOTHILL BLVD UNIT #300 FONTANA, CA 92335

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/08/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/22/21

County Clerk, s/11327
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FBN 20210007224

The following person is doing business as: LG AUTO SALES, LLC 1680 SOUTH EAST STREET B-232 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408 (COUNTY OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS); LG AUTO SALES, LLC 1680 SOUTH STREET B-232 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/15/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/15/2021

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tious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FBN 20210007451

The following person is doing business as: AND.STUDIOS 16803 MESA OAK AVE CHINO HILLS, CA 91709 (PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS SAN BERNARDINO); NAVA DAVID 16803 MESA OAK AVE CHINO HILLS, CA 91709; CHARLY PIZANO 16809 MESA OAK AVE CHINO HILLS, CA 91709

The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: JUN 15, 2021

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/20/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 08/13/2021, 08/20/2021

County Clerk By/Deputy
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FBN 20210007079

The following person is doing business as: JIF ENTERPRISES 1508 BARTON RD #283 REDLANDS, CA 92373 (COUNTY OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS); KUSUMAR PHILIP 1508 BARTON RD #283 REDLANDS, CA 92373

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/12/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 08/13/2021, 08/20/2021

County Clerk By/Deputy
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The following person is doing business as: LG AUTO SALES, LLC 1680 SOUTH EAST STREET B-232 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408 (COUNTY OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS); LG AUTO SALES, LLC 1680 SOUTH STREET B-232 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408

The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/15/2021

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Began Transacting Business: 07/15/2021

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18618 GROVE PL BLOOMINGTON, CA 92316 (COUNTY OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS); MIGUEL A GARCIA NUNO 18618 GROVE PL BLOOMINGTON, CA 92316

The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 07/14/2021

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Began Transacting Business: 07/14/2021

County Clerk By/Deputy
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soil contains lanthanide concentrations to support the mining of 20,000 tons

of ore per year for thirty years and that indications are the deposits in the area

far exceed that, though those concentrations have not been characterized.

“Mountain Pass’s bast-näsite is one of the world’s highest quality rare earth deposits with a greater

than 8 percent average grade,” according to MP Materials. “The green technologies of the future—electric vehicles, wind turbines, drones, and more—depend on

powerful rare earth magnets to turn energy into motion. Without the consistent and trusted supply provided by MP Materials, the entire supply chain for critical magnetic

materials has shifted to Asia, primarily China. MP Materials serves as the beachhead for a renaissance in domestic manufacturing. It starts with us.”

Coroner Made Final Finding Of Fentanyl Overdose In Shuey’s Death; Daughter Said He Was Shot; Responding Deputies Saw What Was Thought To Be A Bullet Wound To His Head from page 6

tongue is unremarkable.” Included in the coroner’s examination report was a toxicology report completed by NMS Labs

in Horsham, Pennsylvania on May 31, 2021. According to that analysis of Shuey’s femoral blood, reported by the lab’s certi-

fying scientist, Erik Flail, there were 3.6 nanograms of fentanyl per milliliter of Shuey’s blood and 0.41 nanograms of norfentanyl per milliliter of his blood.

Investigating with Deputy Zerbe the circumstances surrounding Shuey in the immediate aftermath of the discovery of his body was Sheriff’s

Detective M. Del Rio. Lewison held off on making his conclusion as to the cause of death until June 4, at which point he offered his concurrence that the cause of death was acute fentanyl toxicity. The investigative summary of the case included in the coroner’s

report states, “On Monday, 04/26/2021, at 2033 hours [8:33 p.m.], Dorian Stefan called 911 after finding her friend, Robert Shuey, age 30, unresponsive in his home. Deputy W. Zerbe arrived and confirmed the death at 2100 hours [9 p.m.]. Shuey had foam cone, and Xanax pills without an obvious

prescription were located in the home. During the body examination, a small defect was observed in the back of the head consistent with a small caliber gunshot wound. The San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department Homicide Division is investigating.” -Mark Gutglueck

Do-Nothing City Council Is Using A Meaningless Censure Ploy To Obstruct His Earnest Efforts To Advance San Bernardino, Valdivia Says from page 4

dents are the need to address our city as a whole, and the desperate need to advance the game ball for Team San Bernardino. Most residents are ready and eager to support positive change that will boost San Bernardino’s future success. Unfortunately, as exemplified by Item Number Five on tonight’s agenda [the censure issue], too many city council members are obsessed with engaging in negative politics instead of providing community leadership. For example, I worked my tail off to bring responsible and world class development to our downtown. Beginning in the summer of 2019, I led and interviewed many developers which expressed interest and came up with a short list of top developers to come to San Bernardino. I made my recommenda-

tions to our city staff and spent time with them to deliberate and provide my recommendations for our city’s downtown. I encouraged the RFQ [request for qualifications] process, and then I led the city council to the RFP [request for proposals] process, and then politics entered in. As mayor, I worked hard to attract a major investor who would tear down the blighted Carousel Mall, and initiate the much needed renovations of our downtown. Instead of supporting this great opportunity, Councilmember Calvin and her allies rejected the investor solely because of political gamesmanship, halted the demolition study, and inserted herself with faulty accusations, and led this do-nothing city council, which is before you, to a standing halt. The result is

that our big elephant in the room tonight is the Carousel Mall, which costs \$700,000 to \$800,000 in annual maintenance costs and security and board-up services. Now it has come to light that the council’s chosen developer does not have the capacity to do the necessary renovation. Thanks to Councilmember Calvin’s decision to choose politics over progress, San Bernardino is now back to square one on downtown development.” Valdivia turned to Sanchez. “As mayor, I have also been meeting regularly with regional business leaders to attract new jobs for our families and reduce San Bernardino’s chronically high unemployment rate,” Valdivia said. “Yet, instead of embracing this new economic development, Councilman Sanchez has decided to play political games and instead push for a moratorium that would drive jobs and businesses away from San Bernardino.” He next addressed

Reynoso. “As mayor I also helped a common sense solution to grind and remove the unsightly pile of concrete in the north end of the city,” Valdivia said. “Many other cities have successfully used this approach for concrete removal on site. Sadly, Councilman Ben Reynoso decided to play politics and killed the cleanup plan. Thanks to Councilman Reynoso, the ugly concrete pile is still there, with no timeline or plan for removal.” Valdivia continued, saying “This do-nothing city council has it wrong and the voters and residents of this community have had it. They want real, tangible, pragmatic solutions and they want it now. So I ask these members and our community: ‘Where are the jobs? Where are the jobs you have brought to the West Side, Councilmember Calvin? What jobs and businesses have you attracted in your over

13 years of representing Fourth Ward residents, Councilman Shorett? What are you doing every day for residents of the Fourth Ward, Fred?’” The mayor reached out to sting Alexander, accusing him of spending \$5,400 of taxpayer money on ceremonial flags. He said the city council was more interested in “business cards, parking spots, name plates [and] fancy monogrammed shirts” than serving the city’s residents. He charged the city council with valuing “politics over progress. A city council majority won’t support naming a permanent police chief for San Bernardino. They’re trying to fire our new city manager and rearrange the deck of a ship here called San Bernardino. The people of San Bernardino are fed up with this do-nothing city council who spends all of their time measuring drapes, counting paper clips and all of their time and en-

ergy spent on politics, yet our community suffers. Enough is enough, and it’s time for council members to get to work, to stop the negative political antics. It’s time for them to drop their meaningless censure resolution, and start supporting positive changes to make our city better.” Valdivia’s sallies at the council did not dissuade it from its ineluctable march toward censoring him. Calvin sought to turn the matter into a factfinding effort, and she began to question Field about what he knew about the allegations on the charge sheet Kramer had created. Both Field and Valdivia insisted that the item before the council that evening was procedural to get the consideration of whether a censure should be made to the next level, and that evening’s proceedings were not intended to allow the sort of factual inquiry Calvin was pursuing to take place that night. Shorett, who observed

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Parents Of Burglar Who Fled From Home He Had Broken Into And Was Shot & Killed By Fontana Police Provided With \$1 Million Settlement *from front page*

Upon reaching the home, the officers encountered Kinard, who had a criminal history involving burglary. An effort to take Kinard into custody failed, and he took flight, heading into a tract of homes under construction south of Casa Grande Avenue proximate to Justin Street and Heinz Way. Officers, having seen Kinard dart into the construction site where they believed he was hiding, summoned back-up assistance, intending to form a perimeter and then converge methodically toward the center of the site to find Kinard and take him into custody.

Before that occurred, however, Officer Tutivake approached a portable toilet at the construction site and opened the door. As Kinard, who was in the mobile toilet, bolted forward in effort to again elude capture, Tutivake discharged his service gun once, striking Kinard in the front thorax.

Thereafter, officers attempted to render assistance to Kinard, in vain, as his aorta had been ruptured by the gunshot. He died at the scene.

There was a video of the shooting captured on Tutivake's body camera.

A claim against a public agency is considered to be a precursor to a lawsuit. For legal action being pursued in state court in California, claimants must file a claim against a public agency within six months of the incident out of which the alleged damage occurred. The public entity can then acknowledge the claim as valid or reject it. Upon rejection of the claim, the claimant has six months to file a lawsuit against the public agency pertaining to the alleged damage.

For reasons that are not clear, the City of Fontana and its police department, which acknowledged shortly after Kinard was shot and killed that he was not armed, has refused to release Tutivake's body camera footage of the February 13 incident.

Tutivake was placed

on administrative leave in the immediate aftermath of the shooting, but has since been reinstated to full duty, pursuant to a finding that he acted properly.

At the time of the February 13 incident, Kinard was on a probational release related to a previous burglary conviction, and was avoiding incarceration by having agreed to engage in no further violations of the law and submit to supervision.

In a full and final settlement of Amond Hawkins' and Kenisha Kinard's claim, they are receiving \$1 million, have dropped their demand that the grainy nighttime video of the shooting be released and that they make no public comment with regard to the shooting nor any comments about the city or the department that might be interpreted as "disparaging."

The City of Upland has just paid out over half of a million dollars to a woman who was given a temporary and tentative promotion from her senior administrative assistant position in the police department to that of executive secretary to the police chief and then returned to her senior administrative assistant post after the police chief came to the conclusion she did not have the requisite skill to hold the executive secretary slot.

The woman, Luz Elena Barrett, in April 2020 took an unanticipated leave of absence from her post as acting executive assistant to the police chief and the following month submitted a draft civil complaint to the city, threatening to file it in state court. The unfiled complaint contained allegations that Barrett had been the victim of racial/ethnic/gender discrimination. Barrett's contentions hinged upon her experience during the nearly 22 months she had served in the executive assistant's post with the department.

Darren Goodman moved into the police chief's position with Upland, effective July 16, 2018, the first African-

American to achieve the rank of police chief in Upland, and one of only a handful of African-American officers to have ever served with the department. Goodman, a graduate of Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government in 2015, where he studied local and state government executive management, held both a master's degree in public administration from the University of Southern California and a doctorate attained at USC's Rossier School of Education.

Goodman was previously a captain with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, with which his last assignment had been heading the Chino Hills Sheriff Station, where he served as Chino Hills de facto police chief overseeing the sheriff's department's provision of contract law enforcement service to the county's southwesternmost city.

Barrett had begun as a clerical assistant with the department during the tenure of former Police Chief Martin Thouvenell. Thouvenell had departed as police chief in 2005, and over the next 13 years, Barrett had risen to the position of senior administrative assistant in the department, for which she was provided a \$55,476.97 salary, \$3,107.60 in overtime pay and \$4,576.31 in other pay, along with benefits of \$39,107.70 for an annual total compensation of \$102,268.68 in 2017, the last full year when she was working in the capacity of senior administrative assistant.

Shortly after his arrival in Upland, Goodman promoted Barrett to the department's vacant executive assistant at the insistence of certain colleagues who felt that the length of her time with the department warranted her promotion.

Barrett's move into the executive assistant to the police chief post was a provisional one, contingent upon her demonstration of her ability to handle the assignment, whereupon she was to be given the full title of the position. Barrett's remuneration in 2018, most of the later half of which she functioned as

the department's executive assistant, and in 2019, the entirety of which she was in the executive assistant billet, reflected a relatively modest increase in pay of around \$2,000 annually for her having taken on the executive assistant assignment. In 2018, Barrett was provided with a \$55,482.50 salary, \$4,924.60 in overtime, \$4,391.80 in other pay as well as \$36,494.56 in benefits for a total annual compensation of \$101,293.50. In 2019, Barrett's salary was \$57,586.11, she saw her overtime pay decrease to \$395.93 and she was provided with other pay of \$4,656.24 along with benefits of \$39,299.16 for a total annual compensation of \$101,937.44.

According to Goodman, he initially had confidence that Barrett would adapt to and hone the skill set necessary to function within the executive assistant position, and he strove to develop an amicable and trustful relationship with her.

Toward that end, Goodman has acknowledged, he and his family assisted Barrett with personal matters on a number of occasions, which extended to providing her with money to assist her with unexpected expenses beyond what she could afford based on her income. The conviviality that developed between the police chief and his executive assistant was reciprocal, and on occasion Barrett assisted Goodman and his wife in communicating with the Goodmans' Spanish-speaking housekeeper. Barrett maintains, and Goodman acknowledged, that over a period of four months Barrett communicated by phone with the housekeeper and that on one occasion Barrett traveled to the Goodmans' vacation home in San Diego County to meet with the housekeeper and translate for him.

Goodman contends that none of Barrett's assistance to him and his wife was rendered on city time or at city expense, and that to compensate Barrett for her assistance, he had paid Barrett, as indicated in electronic bank transfer records. In addition, according to Chief Goodman, he provided

Barrett with a week's stay at his vacation home free of charge.

Goodman instructed Barrett that it would be best for her not to mention to anyone else at the department that she had stayed at his family's vacation home.

Ultimately, Goodman came to the conclusion that Barrett, despite her clerical ability and fluency with the Spanish language, lacked the temperament and necessary skills to fulfill the role of executive assistant. He began documenting her shortcomings and, when his efforts to encourage her to better her performance through constructive criticism did not raise her performance to an acceptable level, he notified the city's human resources department in March 2020 that he intended to return Barrett to her former classification upon the termination of her probationary period.

Goodman maintains that Barrett either overheard his conversation with the city's human resources director about his intention to implement Barrett's demotion from the acting executive assistant post or that, as the lone member of the police department other than himself entrusted with a key to Goodman's office, she had gone through papers relating to her planned demotion that were on his desk. The day before Goodman was to inform Barrett about her return to her former classification, she took a leave of absence.

Two weeks later, Barrett lodged a complaint with the human resources department in which she alleged that she had been subjected to mistreatment by Goodman, that she had been forced into working as a translator for him and that he had her do this personal work for him and his family while she was supposed to be working in her capacity as his executive assistant and was on the clock, and being paid as, a city employee. The complaint, a draft of a civil suit, stood as a claim against the city and Goodman for harassment and subjecting Barrett to a hostile work environment, while further maintaining Goodman had engaged in the mis-

appropriation of department assets, that Goodman instructed or ordered Barrett to carry out personal errands for him on city time and that he had her forge a timecard to obtain city payment for the translation work she had done for the Goodman household.

On Friday, June 19, 2020, the Upland City Council, at that point functioning at four-fifths strength because of the resignation of former City Councilman Ricky Felix in May 2020, held a hastily-called closed-door meeting with then City Manager Rosemary Hoerning at which the tentative complaint against the city filed by Barrett was a topic of discussion, extending to what the council's reaction should be. A suggestion, pushed by Hoerning, that some form of discipline should be directed against Goodman was considered but rejected in short order, as doing just that might be construed as an admission of the accusations contained in Barrett's complaint. No authorization for any direct action was given. Three days later, on Monday, June 22, 2020, Hoerning, acting solely upon her own authority and with the backing of then-Mayor Stone, placed the police chief on administrative leave, citing the poor judgment exhibited by Goodman in his dealing with Barrett. When contacted by the *Sentinel* late in the morning of June 22, 2020 and queried about the suspension, Councilman Rudy Zuniga said he had not been informed in advance that it was going to take place. Councilwoman Janice Elliott likewise said she had no inkling of the action before it was announced. Zuniga and Elliot said there had been no authorization of the suspension in any vote taken.

A firestorm of protest among a cross-section of Upland citizens at what was perceived as a move toward sacking Goodman manifested. Virtually overnight, hundreds of lawn signs expressing support for Goodman were posted in neighborhoods all over Upland. Residents buttonholed and harangued the city

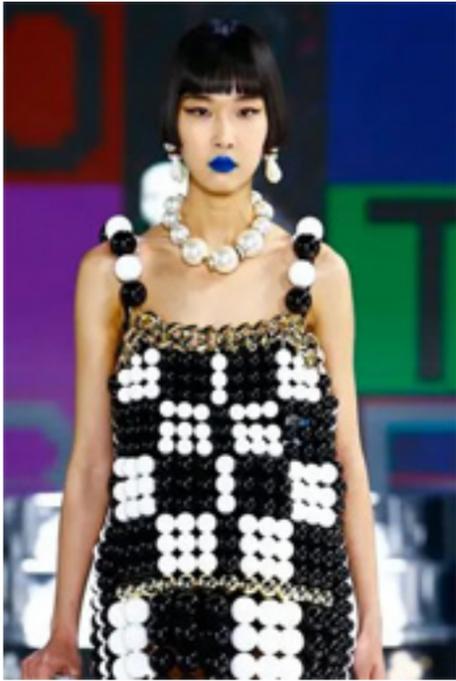
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California Style MOD

I was in Los Angeles and noticed a neat trend: MOD-like pants. MOD,

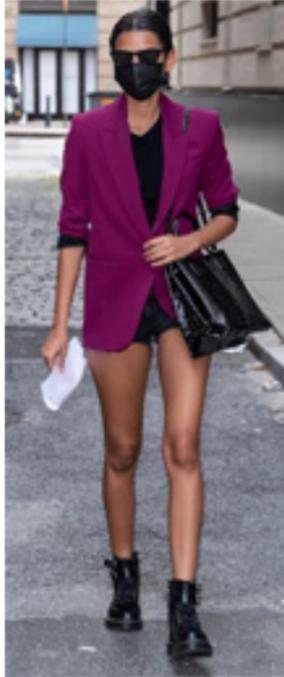
it involves black and white combination with a mixture of color hints.



This is one neat between season look! Try a classic fitted boyfriend jean cuffed slightly above the ankle with a pair of loafers, simple T, and if weather permits a blazer-jacket. MOD is a

meaning modern, stylish and tailored clothes, dates back to the 60s in England. Typically,

very hip look with a hint of chic. It was very popular in the 60s when young people were expressing



support of social changes. And, when it comes to youth and social changes, it seems like not much has changed. MOD just goes perfect with the current times. A little bit of gone but not

forgotten sure is nice for a change. It's a neat style to play with and wear. Its



focus is on an outfit look for sleek lines, tailored coats, graphic prints,

drop waist jackets, color, and maybe a flashy accessory. Never miss a moment in fashion or time to have fun with your clothes. This is summer, but MOD looks good with any season. Embrace your mood and be MOD!



"I'm still a mod, I'll always be a mod, you can bury me a mod." -Paul Weller

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Police Department Executive Secretary Who Said She Falsified Her Timecard & Did Translation Work For The Police Chief On The Side Wrings Half Of A Million Dollar Settlement Out Of Upland

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council over Goodman's suspension.

By June 25, it was widely known in Upland that Barrett's accusation against Goodman consisted of her contention that she had assisted Goodman in translation and interpretation in his efforts to communicate with his family's housekeeper, and that she had contended she had carried out that assignment while being paid by the city. Goodman marshaled evidence to demonstrate Barrett had forged the timecard she said supported her accusation.

On June 29, after the city had attempted but failed to prevent the widespread public surfacing of information relating to Barrett's accusations against Goodman forming the grounds for the police chief's suspension, Hoerning at the direction of Zuniga, Elliott and then-Councilman Bill Velto, reinstated Goodman.

Barrett, at the urging of her attorney, Bradley Gage of Woodland Hills-

based Goldberg & Gage, held off on filing her complaint in Superior Court. Instead, in August 2020, Gage filed with the California Department of Fair Employment & Housing on her behalf a discrimination complaint against the city and Goodman alleging she had been harassed and subjected to a hostile workplace because of her race and/or gender.

Under normal circumstances, the California Department of Fair Employment & Housing will carry out an investigation to determine if a complainant has a prima facie case to proceed to court with, and if so gives the complainant a letter known as a "leave to sue." The California Department of Fair Employment & Housing did not provide such a letter, but the city folded nonetheless, agreeing to pay out \$495,000 to be divided between both Barrett and Goldberg & Gage, and another \$50,000 to Barrett for lost wages. The settlement was signed off

on by acting Upland City Manager Steven Parker.

Barrett had been on paid leave since April 2020. Between April 2020 and July 2020, she continued to be paid as if she were in the role of executive assistant to the police chief, which provides an annual salary of \$57,586.11 plus roughly \$40,000 in benefits. From July 2020 until she officially left the city's employ on June 3, 2021, she remained on paid leave and was paid as if she were functioning in the role of senior administrative assistant, which provides remuneration of about \$55,600 in salary, roughly \$2,000 less than the executive assistant post, along with another \$40,000 in annual benefits.

The settlement agreement, agreed to and signed by Barrett in May, calls for her to receive in addition to the aforementioned \$545,000, the pay she was due up to her June 3 resignation, and that she is to forsake any further legal action against the city and Goodman. The pact further requires that both sides are to remain mum with regard to the entire matter. The settlement holds neither side to blame and makes no admission of wrongdoing by

any of the parties. Money paid out under the settlement is for "non-economic damages and attorney's fees."

In this way, after not working for more than a year, Barrett, along with her attorneys, is to receive a payout equal to more than nine years of her annual salary.

A handful of Upland citizens expressed to the *Sentinel* outrage over the matter. While some conceded that Goodman should not have entangled his personal and family affairs with one of his subordinates, and that his having done so made rescinding her temporary

promotion to the position of his executive assistant awkward, resident after resident expressed the opinion that Barrett's assertion of discrimination was spurious. The settlement in excess of half of a million dollars that was conferred on her, despite her admission of having fraudulently altered her own timecard, was characterized in numerous ways, including being uncalled-for, a shake-down and a gift of public funds.

Similarly, 16.8 miles to the east, in Fontana, residents there were incredulous that the city's taxpayers were on the hook for a million dollars to the

family of a burglar, given that under California statute and established case law, law enforcement officers are authorized to use lethal force in the apprehension of a fleeing felon who represents a threat to the safety of an officer or a member of the public. Referenced was the department's determination that Officer Tutivake had acted properly and was reinstated to full duty as an indication that the shooting was both practically and legally justified, which would have obviated the need to settle the claim brought by Kinnard's parents.

-Mark Gutglueck

Council Undeterred By Valdivia's Characterizations

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that in his speech Valdivia was "denying everything and blaming everyone else," made a motion to have the process move forward, with staff fleshing out and providing evidence to support the charges outlined by Kramer so that they could be presented in a finalized form, after which a formal hearing to allow Valdivia to respond could be held. Thereafter, a vote by the council to censure or not censure Valdivia would

ensue.

Councilwoman Ibarra brought up having two or three members of the council form a subcommittee to work on the language of the censure resolution. Shorett said that was not part of his motion, and the wording of the resolution could be arrived at after the independent investigation was completed to determine the facts of the matter.

Both Field and Carvalho emphasized the need for due process. Carvalho did indicate, however, that a portion of the investigation had already been carried out, which had in-

involved the unearthing of "a thousand" pages of documents, some of which, she indicated, appeared to implicate Valdivia in what he had been accused of. Other accusations had yet to be fully documented and substantiated, she indicated.

Alexander seconded Shorett's motion to have city staff and the city attorney continue with their investigation and upon its completion have the matter brought back for consideration of whether the grounds to create a resolution of censure existed. The measure passed unanimously.